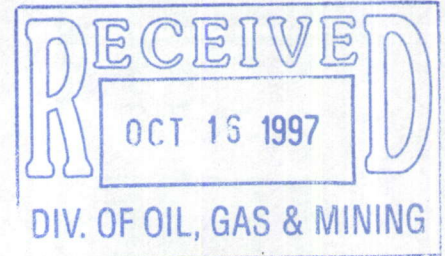




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Mr. Lon Thomas
American Stone, Inc.
4040 South 300 West
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Dear Mr. Thomas:

On August 4, 1997 you received a certified letter from this office placing you in noncompliance for failure to reclaim all or portions of your Aragonite millsite located in T. 1 S., R. 10 W., Section 8. In that letter, at Item #2, you were required to remove the green leaking diesel fuel storage tank from the millsite. In addition, you were required to clean up the diesel fuel-stained soil, and dispose of it in an authorized landfill (not on Public Lands). You were also required to clean up the oil spill in the quonset hut and dispose of this material in the same manner.

A follow-up inspection of the Aragonite millsite on October 8, 1997 revealed that the green diesel fuel storage tank has not been removed, and is continuing to leak diesel fuel onto Public Lands. In addition, the oil spill in the quonset hut has not been cleaned up.

In order to remove yourself from noncompliance status, the green diesel fuel storage tank, contaminated soil, and the oil spill in the quonset hut must be cleaned up and removed from Public Lands by October 19, 1997, the final date of the current extension. If these items are not cleaned up by that date, additional extensions of time to clean up the Aragonite millsite will be not given by this office, and you will have established a Record of Noncompliance.

Thank you for your cooperation in reclaiming the Aragonite millsite. If you have any questions, or require additional information, please feel free to contact Michael Ford of my staff at (801) 977-4360.

Sincerely,
/s/ Margaret Wyatt

Margaret Wyatt
Area Manager

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